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Dr. James E. Mitchell



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Dear Dr. Mitchell:

The Publications Review Board has completed its review of your manuscript entitled *Interrogating the Enemy* (Book Proposal). In accordance with the terms of your secrecy agreement, the Board has determined that information in your manuscript is inappropriate for disclosure in the public domain (i.e., is considered to be classified information) and must be revised or deleted prior to publication. This information can be found on pages: (b)(3) NatSecAct

The Board will reconsider the deletion on:

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A copy of the edited pages is enclosed for your records. The Board is always willing to meet with you to provide clearer explanations to the objectionable text. Please contact us at [redacted] if you would like to schedule a meeting in our office. (b)(3) CIAAct

Please note, there are some instances where the Board had no objection to the current text, but the material could become problematic if expanded upon.

After making the changes the Board requires, you must resubmit this latest version of your manuscript, with the changed pages clearly identified, for final Agency review so that we can confirm that you have made all of the required changes and that your manuscript does not contain any classified information. When we confirm that this latest version of your manuscript does not contain any classified information, we will provide limited authorization for you to share this version with your publisher. When we confirm that the manuscript in the format in which it will appear in publication does not contain any classified information, we will approve that version of your manuscript for publication in that format. Your responsibility as the author is to ensure that the publisher releases only the Board-approved version of your manuscript and that the publishing schedule reflects the requirement for the Board to review and approve the manuscript in the format in which it will appear in publication, prior to publication.

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At the appropriate step in the process, you must submit the galley proofs (or other final-version formats) of the final manuscript as it will appear in book form so the Board can verify that the published version is the approved version. Your responsibility as the author is to ensure that the publisher publishes only the Board-approved version. Since this final review may take thirty days or more, please ensure that the publishing schedule permits adequate time for the Board to complete its work. The Board gives these reviews high priority because it knows that authors and publishers have firm deadlines.

The Board requires that you include the following disclaimer in your book:

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The Board appreciates your cooperation with prepublication review. Please do not hesitate to contact the Publications Review Board at [redacted] if you have any questions or if we can be of further assistance.

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Sincerely,

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Chair, Publications Review Board

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